Committee of the Protocol regarding Certain Milk Powders

Report to the International Dairy Products Council

1. In pursuance of Article VII:2(a) of the Arrangement and Rule 22 of the Rules of Procedure, the Committee has prepared the present report on its twenty-second session.


3. The Committee adopted the agenda proposed in airgram GATT/AIR/2166 and adopted the report on its twenty-first session.

4. The Committee reviewed the replies to the questionnaire and requested members which had not yet communicated information for the first quarter of 1985 to do so without delay. The Committee took note of the summary tables prepared by the secretariat.

5. An exchange of information and views took place in the Committee regarding the market situation for products covered by the Protocol. Among the salient points characterizing the market situation, the Committee noted that prices of whole milk powder have tended to decline while prices of skimmed milk powder have stabilized; the Committee also noted that prices for products covered by the Protocol were expected to ease somewhat in the coming few months.

6. The Committee took note of a notification submitted by Poland regarding sales under Article 3:5 of the Protocol; it also took note of the additional information provided by Switzerland concerning sales made under this provision.

7. The next sessions of the Committees will be held consecutively from 23 to 25 September 1985, subject to confirmation by the secretariat.